# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RURAL DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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DISTRIBUTION OF LAND IN THE COUNTRY
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether there is no uniform distribution of land in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefore;

(c) whether the Government propose to take steps for nationalization of land to ensure its uniform distribution of land in the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefore?

## Answer

(MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The surplus land is distributed to the landless agricultural workers and small land-holders. The distribution of land differs from State to State depending on the kind/quality of the soil, irrigation facilities, kind of crop, the topographical features of the land etc. Therefore, there cannot be a uniform distribution of land throughout the country.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) & (e) The Land distribution is a subject under the exclusive legislative and administrative jurisdiction of the States as provided under Entry No.18 of List II (State List) to the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of IndiaThe Central Government is playing only an advisory and coordinating role in this field.